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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed with the Reply to Notice to File Missing Parts in the above-identified application. As stated in the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure at §607, it is requested that the following cancellation of claims in this preliminary amendment filed concurrently with the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application be taken into account when determining the appropriate fees.